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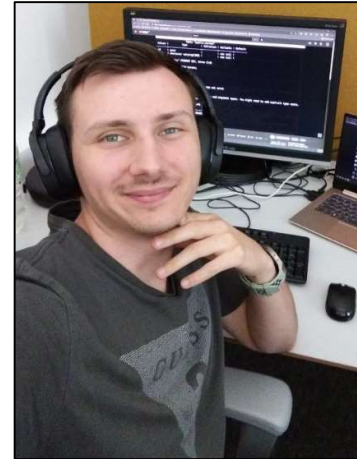EEA Grants Mobility Project in Higher Education: 19-MOB-0025

Mobility type: Placement (EQF 6)

Field: M

Home university: Politehnica University Timișoara (RO TIMISOA04)

Host university: Norwegian University of Science and Technology (N TRONDHE01)

Period: 19.07.2021 – 22.09.2021

I was so impressed by the university, the campus and the city. Each one of them exceeded my expectations. The university is very well equipped for all kinds of study programmes in science and technology, and has excellent accessibility for students with disabilities.

After a short time I received access to a bureau and I had my own place where I could properly start to learn, experience and work on my proposed topics, tasks and projects about development of a software application for teaching purposes. Unfortunately I had to work alone, because nobody was available to work with me in a team during these two months. But I had weekly, sometimes even daily meetings, with my supervisor, so I always knew what the next steps were.

I would like to thank Bogdan Voaidas who was my host in Trondheim, he became a really good friend and my supervisor Adrian Stoica who helped me during this time, both Romanians.

I would also like to thank Astrid Sophie Festøy, who is a Norwegian student at NTNU that helped me to understand Norwegian culture and society better. We had a lovely hiking day on one of the warm days in Trondheim. We picked a lot of blueberries while she would tell me stories about vikings, history and culture. And she kindly welcomed me to her parents house in Oslo during the last weekend in Norway. She already visited Romania once and she is eager to come here again. She told me Romania is in her top 3 beautiful countries in the world.

Speaking of my learning outcomes, I have learned and revised a lot during these two months, including Object-Oriented Programming, Java, JavaFX, JUnit, relational databases and many others. But the most major personal achievement was that I succeeded in obtaining a job as a software developer in Timisoara at a small software company where I am going to start working in October.

Overall, this experience was a major contribution to my professional and personal experience and I would like to thank all the people that made this possible.

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